

# Holy Week Schedule

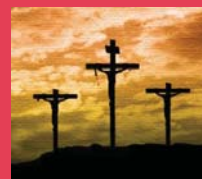
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## **Holy Thursday, March 28**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper**

7:30 p.m. St. Joseph Church



## **Good Friday, March 29**

3:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross Prayer Walk

**The Lord's Passion**

7:30 p.m. Star of the Sea Church



## **Holy Saturday, March 30**

**The Easter Vigil**

7:30 p.m. St. Joseph Church

## **Easter Sunday, March 31**

8:00 a.m. Star of the Sea

9:30 a.m. St. Joseph Church

11:00 a.m. Star of the Sea Church





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## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

**W**elcome! We are glad you are here to join us in worship in the celebration of the Eucharist (Mass). At the Eucharist, the Church comes together to hear the Word of the Lord, to pray for the world's needs, to offer the sacrifice of the Cross in praise and thanks to God, to receive Christ Jesus in communion, and then to be sent forth in the Spirit as disciples of the Gospel. If you are not familiar with the Mass, the Order of the Mass can be found on pages 3-29 of the Breaking Bread hymnal. We call particular attention to the text of the Gloria and the Nicene Creed located on the inside cover. The scripture (Bible) readings for today's Mass can be found on **page 91**.

### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

#### WEEKEND MASSES

##### Saturday

4:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Church  
6:00 p.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)

##### Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)  
9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

##### Monday

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

##### Tuesday

5:30 p.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)

##### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

### SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

**Reconciliation - Wednesdays**, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Parish Office, 11 Sparhawk St., Amesbury

**Baptism:** Call parish office for scheduling

**Sacrament of the Sick:** For home emergency or when entering the hospital, please call the office.

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*From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Welcome to Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week.

“Holy Week is ordered to the commemoration of Christ’s Passion, beginning with his Messianic entrance into Jerusalem,” according to the Church’s Universal Norms.

The Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish the Pascal Mystery. This is the only time in the Church’s calendar that two Gospel readings are proclaimed at one Mass. The first account is that of the crowd acclaiming Jesus as the Messiah, while the second is a rejection of Jesus and a call for him to be crucified. How fickle people can be!

As the week progresses, we focus on Jesus’ last days. May I take this opportunity to personally invite you to attend this sacred remembrance of God's great love for you.


On Holy Thursday, Jesus offers his followers the food that satisfies our human hunger. It is the Bread of Life, his very Body and Blood. The members of our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) are longing to receive Communion, which sadly many Catholics take for granted.

On that Friday we call Good, it is Jesus who entrusted his life to the Father by enduring our infirmities, obedient unto death to win for us eternal salvation. The cross becomes the sign of the New Covenant and the forgiveness of sins through the shedding of his blood. Come, be moved by his sacrifice.

On Holy Saturday we recall some of the highlights of our ancestors encounter with God in the Hebrew Scriptures. Jesus proclaimed that he is the Light of the world and our Pascal Candle is lit representing his presence here and now. The Gospel announcers that the ancient sting of death is overcome by Jesus’ resurrection. Three teenagers, and two adult men will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive First Communion at the Easter Vigil. Alleluias are proclaimed with great joy!

Come celebrate your faith with the community of your brothers and sisters. AMEN!

Peace, Fr Ron



*Holy, Holy, Holy*  
**LORD GOD OF HOSTS. HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL WITH YOUR GLORY.**  
*Hosanna in the highest.*  
*Blessed* IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.  
*Hosanna in the highest.*



**MILITARY FAMILY OUTREACH**  
*Please remember in your prayers the men and women of our parishes who are serving our country.*

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- AFC Lucas J. Tomkiewicz, USAF
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- SN Ryan Perkins, US Navy
- SGT Alec V. Salzer, US Army
- PV2 Matthew DiBona, US Army
- AN Spencer T. Butzen, US Navy
- CAPT Jake Gilbert, US Army



***Heavenly Father, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen***



**Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick in our Parish**  
***May the Spirit of Christ renew the gift of life within them and bring healing to their minds, body and spirit.***

- Pat Ponticelli, Edward Kelleher, Dotty Jean,
- John Leahy, Anthony Ronan, Bob Sousa, Paul Palen, Stacia Simmons, Liam Ford, Paul Lajoie,
- Kathryn Connelly, Helen Fricano, Deacon Paul Specht, Patrick Sonier, Hannah M., James Blood,
- Nanette Daley, Carole Young, Brian Donahue, Liam Austin, Matthew Specht, Julio Folgar,
- Jennifer Campano, Glenn Fournier, Joan Ferraro, Mary B., Dan G., Marty G., Armand Hyatt, Sandra & Cliff Buttry, Paul Watson, Jeanine Fowler, Sue Taft, Jack Rogers, Paula Klein,

### PRAYING FOR OUR FUTURE PRIESTS

Please include in your prayers, an Archdiocese of Boston seminarian by name every day and at every Mass.



#### Seminarian:

- Sunday, March 24 - Deacon Gabriel Hanley
- Monday, March 25 - Deacon Matthew Harrington
- Tuesday, March 26 - Deacon David Joanis
- Wednesday, March 27 - Deacon Christopher Letizia
- Thursday, March 28 - Holy Thursday
- Friday, March 29 - Good Friday
- Saturday, March 30 - Holy Saturday



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**April 4, 2024**

**2:00—7:00 p.m.**

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All parishioners are welcome to a **Good Friday Stations of the Cross walk, March 29 at 3:30 p.m..** The Stations of the Cross designed on posterboard by our Sunday school students will be displayed outside around St. Joseph's Church, weather permitting. Soup will be served afterwards in the Parish Hall. In case of inclement weather, the stations will be moved inside the church.



### Easter Sunrise Service



Amesbury Council of Churches will be sponsoring the Easter Sunday Sunrise Service. Hosted by Main Street & Union Congregational Churches, it will be held March 31, 6:00 a.m. at Alliance Park. A light continental breakfast will be served at Union Congregational following the service. Please join in our celebration.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**



We ask that you please return your Rice Bowl no later than Easter weekend, **March 30/31.**

Thank you for your cooperation and generosity.



### St. André Bessette Combined Weekly Offertory Star of the Sea and St. Joseph Churches

#### *Saturday/Sunday, March 9/10, 2024 Offertory*

90 envelopes:	\$4,057.00
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Online Giving	<u>\$1,757.51</u>
Total:	\$7,729.16

#### *Second Collection - Cardinal Appeal*

Envelopes & Loose:	\$2,133.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 65.00</u>
Total:	\$2,198.00

*Thank you for your ongoing support!*

### Upcoming 2nd Collections

- March 24 - Heat
- Special Easter Collection**
- March 31 - Clergy Health and Retirement
- April 7 - Utilities
- April 14 - Parish Projects
- April 21 - Evangelization
- April 28 - Maintenance



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**WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, March 23, 2024**

4:00 p.m. St. Joseph - Arthur Morris, Betty Martell,  
Melinda & Janice Carey

6:00 p.m. Star of the Sea - Emma Gagnon

**Sunday, March 24, 2024**

8:00 a.m. Star of the Sea - Thomas Solomon

9:30 a.m. St. Joseph - Catherine Favaro

**WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, March 25**

9:00 a.m. St. Joseph - Celebrant Intention

**Tuesday, March 26**

5:30 p.m. Star of the Sea - Celebrant Intention

**Wednesday, March 27**

9:00 a.m. St. Joseph - Celebrant Intention

**Saturday, March 30**

7:30pm St. Joseph - Holy Saturday

**Sunday, March 31**

8:00am Star of the Sea - Margaret M. Horgan

9:30am St. Joseph - Maryanne Surette

11:00am Star of the Sea - People of the Parish

**Monday, April 1**

9:00 am St. Joseph - Maureen Leahy

**Tuesday, April 2**

5:30 pm Star of the Sea -

**Wednesday, April 3**

9:00 am St. Joseph -



**St. Joseph Church, March 2024**

**Host & Wine**

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**Star of the Sea Church, March 2024**

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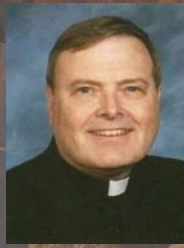


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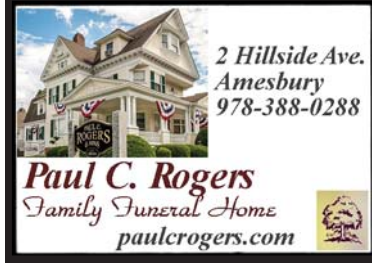
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